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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AMERICAN DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION

Presented July 17th, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

By MARIE SILLAY SHAW, Atlanta, Ga.

Wisconsin with her fertile lands and crystal clear lakes is one of the most beautiful of our United States. We are fortunate that Milwaukee has been chosen as the city in which to hold our Fifteenth Annual Convention. With one of the largest harbors on the Great Lakes, Milwaukee is symbolic of our Convention. Ships come into her ports bringing precious cargo from various parts of the world for the enrichment of the surrounding territory; likewise, our delegates have come from the East and West, North and South, laden with constructive ideas for the enrichment of the American Dental Assistants Association.

The story is told of a minister who found it in his line of duty to preach a sermon at an institution for the mentally ill. He began his sermon with the question, "Why are we all here?" which was preliminary to his detailing God's reason for placing man on the earth. However, one of the inmates apparently taking the question as personal, stood up and replied: "We are 'all here' because we are not 'all there'." We may well pause to ask ourselves, "Why are we all here?" and the reply will come back: "We are 'all here' because we are 'all there' and being 'all there' we realize the greatness of our organization and are fired with a zeal for its growth and development. Consequently we have come together for mutual improvement and inspiration in order that the high ideal set for us may be attained." As the philosopher has said, "coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success", and success is what we are interested in.

During my administration as your President I have observed a number of things which I believe are essential to our success. Chief among them is the need for each of us to become more "national minded."

Not only must the delegates who attend our conventions be "national minded," but we must make all the individual dental assistants of the United States, whether from Dallas, Texas or Syracuse, New York, "national minded". You, as delegates to this convention, must feel this your responsibility. If you visit Milwaukee's harbor today you will see ships leaving port laden with cargo which will eventually be distributed throughout the world. When you leave, this convention you should consider yourself a priceless vessel carrying back new ideas to your local or state organization which will give them inspiration and enthusiasm. It will be your privilege and also your definite duty to make them "national minded"; create in them a desire to work harder for the progress of the organization, and perhaps strive to be a delegate to our next annual convention.

The American Dental Assistants Association is a great organization with lofty ideals. Through it each dental assistant in these United States, no matter how obscure the town in which she lives, may keep in step with the march of time, and be the efficient worker which her calling requires. In commerce it is necessary to have a custom house through which imported and exported products clear. So with our organization, it is necessary to have a focal point through which the ideas of our local and state groups clear. That focal point or custom house is our National Organization. For instance: Some time saver is discovered in Los Angeles, California, and the method is transferred to the dental assistant in Miami, Florida through the A.D.A.A. Likewise, some new practical idea is conceived in Massachusetts and the dental assistants throughout the United States receive it through the A.D.A.A. In this

manner each group is kept active and each dental assistant is kept aware of all advancements, through this import and export of ideas. Of course, the A.D.A.A. cannot function satisfactorily without the full cooperation of the local and state groups. Therefore, I urge each delegate to become more "national minded". Talk the A.D.A.A. to your local groups and to your individual friends in these groups. Without the fine work which you have done, the A.D.A.A. would not be what it is today and if you will double your efforts, just think what we can attain!

With less than nine months between conventions this Administration endeavored to enlarge upon the entire program in effect, rather than attempt to inaugurate a new program. We continued the extension work, aware of the fact that seventeen (17) states were without societies and bearing in mind that we needed four hundred and forty-five (445) new members to reach a total of three thousand (3000) for 1939. Approximately six hundred (600) new members have been added. Ten (10) constituent societies and seven (7) component groups have been formed. Our membership is steadily increasing and in order that we may function properly, I urge that all local groups affiliated directly with the A.D.A.A., form state societies without delay. State societies relieve the General Secretary of much burdensome work as well as give direct benefit to the local groups through state conventions and similar pleasant and constructive association. Fifteen years ago our Founder, Mrs. Juliette A. Southard, foresaw the need and dreamed of such an organization as we have today. In our toddling stage only local groups were possible but now, that we have learned to walk, if the complete dream of our brilliant founder is to be realized and we are to enjoy all the possibilities embraced therein, state associations are indispensable.

As our organization has grown, the work of the General Secretary has increased tremendously. In fact it has become so heavy recently that it is im-

possible for her to discharge her duties without part-time help. Of course the expense of her office has increased accordingly, and to meet this expense we must appropriate additional funds. We can do this easily by bringing our dues up to \$2.00 per year. This would mean an additional investment of 25c per member per year, or less than 1/2c per week for each of us. This is a small amount but we all know that pennies make dollars and dollars cannot scorn pennies because they both do a good work. Have you ever heard the conversation between the Dollar and the Cent? It was like this: . . .

"A big silver dollar and a little brown cent, rolling along together they went. Rolling along the smooth sidewalk when the Dollar remarked,—for the Dollar can talk:—

"You Poor little Cent, you cheap little mite, I'm bigger and more than twice as bright. I'm worth more than you a hundred fold, And written on me in letters bold, Is the motto drawn from the pious creed, 'In God We Trust', which all can read."

"Yes, I know", said the Cent, "I'm a cheap little mite. I am neither good, nor big, nor bright. And yet", said the Cent, with a meek little sigh, "You don't go to church as often as I."

While the 1/2c will not be going to church for us, it will be doing a work equally as good. 100 of them will make a proud dollar and based on our present membership, the investment of 1/2c per week will net us approximately \$700.00 per year. This would more than cover the entire expense of the General Secretary's office, including part-time help. I am sure each of you realize the urgency of the situation and will agree that only with this small increase in dues can we carry on efficiently.

Our being able to carry on, is dependent on a number of other things and chief among them is the cooperation of the Dental Profession. After all, the shadow of our success is cast two ways. On one hand we benefit by being constantly progressive and more efficient. On the other hand the Dental Profession finds the drudgery

of their work turned into joy through the aid of competent dental assistants. Their appreciation of this has been indicated by a decided increase in interest in our organization. They have invited various groups to contribute to their programs from time to time and in small localities, where it is hard for the girls to maintain their identity, the members have been invited to attend the scientific part of the Dental Society's meetings. These courtesies are very much appreciated by the A.D.A.A., as we must have the full support of the Dental Profession if we are to succeed.

The American Dental Assistants Association is dear to my heart and its success is of paramount interest to me. The privilege of being your president is one of the highest honors ever accorded me. I have enjoyed every moment of my administration and shall always treasure the experience. The enthusiastic cooperation of my fellow officers, trustees and the

membership at large has been invaluable and I cannot find words to adequately express my sincere appreciation. I have been afforded an opportunity to make new friends and if I have been able to contribute one small thing toward the progress of our organization, then your unsolicited confidence in making me your President has been justified. I feel sure the incoming President will find her administration made pleasant by the same cooperation and enthusiastic support that has brightened my way.

As a final thought, I want to again urge upon you the great need for becoming more "national minded." To repeat the words of the philosopher: "Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success", and the only way we can come together, keep together and work together for the greatest possible success, is through our American Dental Assistants Association.

810 Candler Building

CLEAR AS CRYSTAL

By MARION EDWARDS, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Given Before A.D.A.A., July 19th, 1939, Milwaukee, Wisc.

Dear friends of the A.D.A.A.: — When I was first asked a few months ago to bring a message to you at this meeting, I thought about several dental topics I might speak on; and then after going over in my mind the many endearing friendships I had made through contact with your Association since my first trip to Washington in 1929, many clear points came to me — points as clear as crystal — of the value of meeting and knowing others in our own line of work. With this in mind I decided to give you a real personal message right from my heart.

As we grow older and have had the privilege I have enjoyed of contacting so many lives and working with so many earnest, willing souls, it leaves us with the thought that after all, the finest kind of collecting, after we have collected the knowledge we need, is the collecting of

friends. It is by far the most enduring hobby we can have. Each year adds a happier thrill than the one gone before, because we see friends who are genuine, grow richer with the passing of time. Contact with people in our own line, and after our own heart, takes so many of the disappointments and shattered illusions out of our lives and clears our vision. To be rich in friends is to own wealth beyond all price — and all we have to do to gain new ones is to be worthy friends ourselves. That is the way I feel in standing before so many good friends today. We, in Canada, knew so little of the beautiful friendships to be had with our sisters in the U.S.A. until we made the contact — and now, with your invitations to us to meet with you each year, and your generosity in sending your leading members to our meetings, we have found in-

spiration and friends that can never be forgotten. This is your Crystal Anniversary — *fifteen years of progress* — and I am thinking of you all today as "*Pure as Crystal*" in your contacts with us.

I have been greatly interested in your President's slogan "3000 Members by Milwaukee", and I wanted to come and be one of that 3000 and compliment you on your splendid efforts. Things worth while and of permanent value take time in which to realize as long as progress, however small, can be seen. Time makes the mind grow richer, and an appreciation of life's values seems keener and happier. The more people we meet and talk to, the more we realize how dull we are and how much there is for us to learn. I love to meet people who know more than I do — it sends me back to work, newly inspired, to become a better part of this world of ours. Contacts enlarge us, always, and broaden our horizons. They help to furnish our world. We are all carrying around with us contributions from every worth-while person whom we have met or known on the road of life. It is impossible for any of us not to absorb from others. You have heard the question, "I am a part of all that I have met." Let us learn all we can from everyone we meet. The man or woman does not live who does not hoard some knowledge that may be useful to us. In fact, each of us is unique in that we have some knowledge that no one else has. This value of contacts has been brought home to us in Canada very recently by the visit of our beloved Royal couple. Before this, our knowledge of a King and Queen was very limited — we always pictured them as high and mighty and very hard to reach up to, or understand. Today in Canada, I think every person feels somehow that something has happened to us — and it has. We have made contact, personal contact, with two charming, cultured but simple people, who take life in a serious but friendly way — rulers of a great Empire, but untouched by any of its pomp and vanity. We have heard and read that people who give of themselves are the real

founders of "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men", and that is just what this Royal couple did. They gave of themselves from the time they arrived until they departed, always wishing not to disappoint anyone — sometimes having to give up meals and personal comfort in so doing. No wonder they captured the hearts of all whom they met. The substance of our hearts is preserved and lives on and on in the hearts of others as we distribute our own. And so the charm and beauty of this dear couple will live on in our hearts for many years to come. "*Pure as Crystal*" — this is the way we think of them, and we would do well to copy their mode of unselfishness in our lives.

One of your American writers, George Matthew Adams, of whose writings I am very fond, paid what I feel to be the highest tribute to Their Majesties. Forgive me if I quote, as I could not use better words, nor as good. "Great Britain's King and Queen have come and gone. Kings and queens have come and gone for centuries, as anyone knows by reading his history books. But in their coming and going in their own Dominion of Canada and then to our United States, they asked for nothing. They left with the good will of everyone who saw, or who read, of their triumphant welcome. I have seen the King and Queen, and the great thing about them was their simplicity. I shall always think of them in this way — their simplicity, their kindly and modest manner, their graciousness of bearing, just what a king and queen should show to the world. The British Empire has a gentleman for a King, and a lovely mother for its Queen — and I for one say 'Long live them both and God bless them'. For over an hour I stood in the hot sun at the New York World's Fair, waiting to see this exalted pair. They passed and I saw them both — so did three million others. They didn't pass in a parade of armed soldiers and cannon. The King didn't even carry a sword — just a neat grey hat. They were magnificently escorted however — but only to do them honor. There was no display, in look or manner, of disguised

pomp in the young King. His is a serious inquiring face. A man of few words but those always from his heart, in deep sincerity. There was a look of genuineness upon his face. And so the people of his own Dominion and of their best friends across the border, saw him gladly. I am not sure but that the spirit of Washington held out an invisible hand as King George placed a wreath upon his grave at Mount Vernon. And perhaps this silent sentence emanated from the grave which the King alone could sense, "We

are friends and shall never be anything else."

What a beautiful tribute from an American! Can you not realize how we, as their subjects, feel that something has happened to us through this visit. And of course the gracious, motherly Queen Elizabeth is an inspiration to all women. If we as professional women will give of ourselves as she is doing, we will be friends worth having and be considered by our friends as "*Pure and clear as crystal.*"

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AMERICAN DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASS'N., CRYSTALS OF HISTORY

By JULIETTE A. SOUTHARD, (Founder) Miami, Florida

Given Before A.D.A.A., July 17th, 1939, Milwaukee, Wisc.

The first thing we see in our "Crystal of History" is a dental assistant on her vacation in the wilds of Maine. It is the latter part of August, 1923. She is reading a dental journal forwarded to her from her office in New York City, and among other items, she again notes that the Annual Meeting of the American Dental Association will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, September 10th to 14th, 1923. For some time, in fact for several years, this dental assistant has held the vision of a National Association for Dental Assistants, that would bring together in a spirit of fellowship and service, all dental assistants no matter where located in this great country of ours. She had spoken of this "dream" to those whom she felt should see its usefulness, and who were in sympathy with the educational development of the calling of "Dental Assistant"; so then and there, she decides to see what she can do to make her "dream" come true. Next, we see her writing two letters; one to another dental assistant in Chicago, Jessie C. Ellsworth, President of the Chicago and Cook County D.A. Association, giving her a brief outline of the idea for the launching of a plan for the organization of a National Association for Dental Assistants during this forthcoming dental meeting, and urging her to attend

same. The other letter is written to her employer, Dr. Henry Fowler, of New York City, also telling him of these plans and asking him for time to go to Cleveland, if he approves, and that she will bring her vacation to an immediate close, returning to New York so as to prepare for the proposed trip. Dr. Fowler wired back immediately upon receipt of her letter, something like this: "Heartily approve plan for a National Association for Dental Assistants. You can have all the time necessary, and I will lend every assistance possible".

Next, our crystal shows this dental assistant's arrival in Cleveland, and conferring with Jessie Ellsworth who had promptly replied that she would be there. Then we see her interviewing as many of the officers and prominent members of the American Dental Association as possible, enlisting their interest in the proposed plan, and securing permission for the registration of all women attending this meeting; in this way being able to meet personally every dental assistant thereat, and inviting them to attend a meeting that had been arranged for the Wednesday afternoon, September 12th, in a room set aside for this purpose by the A.D.A. Some 15 assistants attended this meeting, our dental assistant presid-

ing and explaining in detail the purpose in view, calling on each one present for a statement of their reaction to this plan. All were in favor of a National Association, several being so enthused, they promised to help organize societies in their localities as soon as they went home. Those present of which we have a record were: From Chicago, Jessie C. Ellsworth, Irene Coakley, Ruth A. Carr, Amy Burk; from New York City, Juliette A. Southard, Edna M. Weidenmuller; from Peoria, Ill., Ida L. Dixon; from Cleveland, Mura Dunn, Harriet Weed, Edna Augustine, Lula M. Root; from Virginia, Mrs. Walter Liles; from Buffalo, Mary E. Jones; from Lockport, N. Y., Ruth E. Bosserman, D. H. Two names remain on the roster of the A.D.A.A. at this date, among those who were at that 1923 meeting in Cleveland. Ruth Carr of Chicago, and Juliette A. Southard of Miami, formerly of New York City.

Next in our crystal, we see our dental assistant who had been elected to be the Chairman of Organization for the proposed National Association for Dental Assistants, and her co-members on the Committee hard at work, as it had been agreed that definite organization would be completed during the next Annual Meeting of the A.D.A., at Dallas, Texas, in November of 1924. Approval of an outline of plans and a promise of co-operation having been given our assistant by Dr. John T. Buckley, President, and Dr. C. N. Johnson, President-Elect, and other officers of the A.D.A. The Organization Committee members were: Juliette A. Southard, Chm., N. Y. City, Jessie C. Ellsworth, Vice-Chm., Chicago, Ida L. Dixon, Peoria, Ill., Merle Cotter, Des Moines, Iowa, Edna Weidenmuller, New York City. (The latter married and left dental assisting, and was replaced by Irene Walker of New York City). Next, we see the afore-mentioned very busy with organization details. Notices appeared in the dental journals asking that all societies for dental assistants wherever located, communicate with the Committee Chairman, so that detailed information

might be forwarded, and information of progress made, given. All known societies for dental assistants were contacted; the officers of the A.D.A. were kept informed of details, and prominent dentists were consulted and asked for suggestions; our dental assistant making several trips at large, to interest these dentists. A draft of Constitutional and Administrative By-Laws, patterned as closely as possible after those of the A.D.A., were prepared and approved by Dr. C. N. Johnson and others. A program was arranged for the Dallas Meeting to be held from November 10th to 14th, 1924, and as there was no society for dental assistants in that city, the names of several assistants were secured and assurance received that these girls would contact all assistants in Dallas, and invite them to attend the meeting.

Next, our crystal shows us the Organization Committee Chairman, travelling to Chicago to meet the Vice-Chairman there, as they had been invited by Dr. C. N. Johnson to travel to Dallas in his party. A never-to-be-forgotten honor and trip, being included in all the courtesies extended this great and beloved member of the dental profession. Then we see the arrival at Dallas; contacting the dental assistants there, and the members in attendance from the Four dental assistants' societies who had definitely pledged themselves to join the proposed National Organization as Charter members, to wit: Alabama State D. A. Ass'n.; E. & E. Society for D. A., 1st Dist. N. Y., Inc.; Indiana State D. A. Ass'n.; Chicago and Cook County D. A. Ass'n. The Chairman had secured the interest and promise of future affiliation from the following groups who were organized at that time: N. J. D. A. Ass'n. (Trenton, N. J.); D. A. and Secretaries Ass'n. Maryland; Burlington D. A. Ass'n., Iowa; Cleveland D. A. Ass'n., Ohio; E. & E. Society for D. A., Buffalo, N. Y. To all these the Chairman had promised a detailed report of the meeting so that their members might take action for affiliation at an early date. The Nebraska State D. A. Ass'n., which had been organized in 1917, the first associa-

tion on record, had sent a representative to the meeting, but when called on for credentials, the member reported not having been given any, and though accepted on her verbal credentials, she refused to assume the responsibility of presenting the Nebraska D. A. Ass'n. as a Charter Member Organization. Dr. Charles H. Henshaw was also present, representing the Iowa State D. A. Ass'n. for the purpose of taking back to them the report of the proceedings of this meeting.

Next, we see the proceedings of this organization meeting, held in Committee Room A, Convention Hall, Dallas Fair Grounds. The first session called at 3 P.M. November 11th, 1924, Juliette A. Southard, Chm. presiding; Nydean Miller of Alabama, acting as Temporary Secretary. The Chairman explained the purpose of the organization of a National Association for Dental Assistants, the ideals to be incorporated in its functions, and its watchwords: EDUCATION, EFFICIENCY, LOYALTY, SERVICE. She then read a copy of the resolution passed by the American Dental Association at their meeting held in Los Angeles, Calif., July 1922, as follows: "VOTED, that the recommendation of the Board of Trustees be adopted, that dental hygienists, dental mechanics, and dental assistants, except associations for profit, be encouraged to establish associations in their respective states, and that they be given conference relations with the A.D.A., state societies and subsidiary organizations, the details of which are to be formulated by the Committee on Dental Education on Conference." (Minutes of House of Delegates, A.D.A.) The various delegates presented their credentials; visitors and assistants were called on for informal discussion; the Chairman announced the following societies in process of organization:—Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Pa.; Cincinnati, Ohio. Members of the Organization Committee present were: Juliette A. Southard, Jessie C. Ellsworth, Ida L. Dixon.—Merle Cotter and Irene Walker, absent.

The crystal then shows us the second meeting of the Organization Committee,

November 12th, 10:30 A.M., same place. Miss Daisy Jones of Nebraska asked "that since she had not been provided with written credentials by the Nebraska State D.A. Ass'n., she be permitted to withdraw as delegate and allowed to sit in the meetings as a representative to secure information, and return a report to Nebraska." This was granted. The Chairman then read the draft of the proposed Constitutional and Administrative By-Laws, and a reference committee was appointed to study these and report at the next session, when they would be voted on for adoption. This committee consisted of Jessie C. Ellsworth, Chm., Roxie M. McCracken of Indiana, and Nydean E. Miller of Alabama. Dr. C. N. Johnson addressed the meeting, "He expressed the desire to see the new organization function to its fullest capacity for the uplift of the dental assistant, in her endeavors to serve the dental profession and humanity, and pledged his assistance and support in every way possible." Dr. Alfred Walker of N. Y., member of the House of Delegates of the A.D.A. also addressed the meeting, congratulating the proposed association on its plans and ideals, and predicted a brilliant future for it, pledging his assistance. A luncheon was announced for the next day, to be followed by the final session of this meeting. This luncheon was very successful, being attended by many prominent members of the A.D.A. It was from the proceeds of this luncheon after all expenses were paid, that we placed some Sixty odd dollars in the Treasury of the A.D.A.A. and started our first bank account.

Our crystal now shows us the third and final session of the Organization Meeting, held in General Headquarters Room, Convention Hall, Dallas Fair Grounds, at 3:30 P.M., November 13th, 1924. Upon recommendation of the Reference Committee for the Constitutional and Administrative By-Laws, these were read and adopted, and officers nominated and elected as follows: President, Juliette A. Southard, New York City; 1st Vice-President, Jessie C. Ellsworth, Chicago;

2d Vice-President, Roxie M. McCracken, Indiana; 3rd Vice-President, Nydean E. Miller, Alabama; General Secretary, Anna E. Sykora, New York City; Treasurer, Beulah Thompson, Chicago. By motion, the President was empowered to appoint a Board of Trustees, and such committees as were necessary, until the next regular meeting of the Association. The President announced that she had presented a report to the House of Delegates of the A.D.A. at 3:30 P.M., November 12th, on the activities of dental assistants' societies, and the aims and ideals of the proposed National Association. This had been well received and commended. Mrs. M. L. Hill announced that the assistants of Dallas were to meet on November 18th, to formally organize a society and would affiliate with the A.D.A.A. Adjournment was called to meet at Louisville, Ky., in 1925 at the same time as the A.D.A.—If you could see all that I have seen in our crystal, you would have witnessed the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Organization Committee wearing huge Cowboy hats and colorful bandanas, they having been presented with this attire when voted two of the most popular women attending the dental convention. Of course, Jessie Ellsworth was a stunning figure thus attired, but have you a mental picture of Juliette A. Southard?

The name selected for the new association was "American Dental Assistants Association," permission for this title having been secured from the A.D.A., as the names were so similar. The A.D.A.A. was duly incorporated on March 17th, 1925, in the State Secretary's office for the State of Illinois, the incorporators being the six major officers as elected. Full details of this incorporation are in the back of your copy of the A.D.A.A. Constitutional and Administrative By-Laws. The emblem which carries our name and motto: EDUCATION, EFFICIENCY, LOYALTY, SERVICE, was designed by your Founder, and is the official emblem duplicated in the pins that every active member in good standing is entitled to wear. Our crystal shows us many developments

taking place over the years that followed. I see a resolution adopted at Louisville, Ky., September 1925, to wit: "WHEREAS: Education is the underlying power in all human activities; WHEREAS: Dentistry did not become a recognized profession, until fully equipped dental schools were organized and maintained, in order that those who so desired to serve humanity might be properly educated; WHEREAS: The safety and welfare of the public demands educated service for its protection, and the duties of the dental assistant or nurse, being akin to that of the medical nurse, they should be equally well educated and trained; WHEREAS: The opportunity to secure this education and training, in order to properly qualify as a dental assistant or nurse, is almost impossible, Therefore be it RESOLVED: That the American Dental Assistants Association in convention assembled, earnestly petition the recognized dental schools of the United States, for the establishment of a department wherein those who seek to serve humanity in the capacity of dental assistant or nurse, may have a means of acquiring the proper education and training. Be it further RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Dean of every recognized dental school in the United States." This has been reaffirmed each year, and in 1930 at Denver, the House of Delegates went on record as "Opposing training for dental assistants, given by commercial enterprises, or by individuals backed by commercial enterprises." Each year this being reaffirmed by the House of Delegates.

We also see another resolution drafted by the Board of Trustees and adopted by the House of Delegates, October 26th, 1927, to wit: WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Board of Trustees of the A.D.A.A. that accusation has been made that the organization of the A.D.A.A. was only a preliminary step towards the labor unionizing of dental assistants, and the ultimate control of salaries and hours of labor, and WHEREAS: The same accusation has been made against

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GLEANINGS FROM THE 15th ANNIVERSARY MEETING A.D.A.A., MILWAUKEE, WISC., JULY 17-21, 1939

Arrival of President Shaw's "Special" at Chicago on Friday afternoon, July 14th, and meeting of the clans from many parts of the country, at the Palmer House, for a brief interlude prior to embarking for the convention city. . . . Friday evening, at the Hotel Astor, General Headquarters, reunion of old and new friends, and the same on Saturday all day . . . Juliette A. Southard, Editor and Helen F. Fitting, Bus. Manager of the Journal, attend the Annual Meeting of the Am. Assn. of Dental Editors on Saturday, held at Hotel Schroeder, as our official publication is a member of this Association . . . Saturday evening, the informal dinner is held of the Board of Trustees. (see photograph herewith published) . . . Sunday 16th, Registration from 8 to 4 P. M. East, West, North and South again coming together, and many friendly greetings exchanged. — A meeting of the Board of Trustees called for 10 A. M. brought all the members together with one exception, Airna Chamberlin, 2nd Vice-President, who found it impossible to make the trip from California. The Board was in Session until about 4 P. M., when recess was declared so the members could attend the "Hostess Society Tea" held from 4 to 6 on the Astor Roof. An informal function of friendly hospitality, but beautifully arranged, an accomplished pianist bringing harmony for entertainment. During the party, Helene Meyers, Treasurer was surprised with a birthday cake and the singing of "Happy Birthday to You", by all those assembled. There were lighted candles on the cake, but we failed to count them. Helene however, did not fail to be SURPRISED, and showed it . . . Later in the evening, "Open House" was held in the Official Suite, bringing many members of the dental profession to pay their respects. Fruit punch and cake was served and Dr. Roy Shaw of Atlanta, showed the moving pictures he had taken of the 1938 meeting at St. Louis and several others.

Monday, July 17th, meeting of the 1st, House of Delegates with the usual order of business, reports of officers and standing and special committees, etc. The recommendations brought in to the House of Delegates at its three sessions, will be written up by the General Secretary, and published in her "Corner" in a future issue, so that the entire membership may be informed of the business transacted. The delegates will of course report these as well, with all the other details of the convention, to their respective societies. . . . The General Meeting, Monday at 2 P.M. brought a large attendance of dentists, no doubt due to the efficient work of Mabel Lyon, Co-Chairman of Program for the convention, who had prepared special attractive invitations for the members of the dental profession. Splendid papers were given at this meeting and will be published later in our Journal. We had the honor of having six members of the Ontario D.N.&A. Assn., of Canada at this meeting, headed by Marion Edwards, Founder and Mrs. Fern L. Cook, President. The latter celebrating her birthday on this day was presented with a bouquet of flowers and President Shaw voiced congratulations for those assembled. The meeting closed with an impressive "Memorial" to those of our members who had been called to their Eternal Rest since our last convention, given by Beulah Nowell, 1st Dist. Trustee.

Tuesday, July 18th, the District Meetings were held, at 9:30. Districts 9-8-2, Robina McMurdo, 2nd Dist. Trustee, presiding. . . . Districts 6-1-3-5, Beulah Nowell, 1st Dist. Trustee, presiding. . . . Districts 10-4-7, Mildred Stevenson, 7th Dist. Trustee, presiding. We hope to publish a resumé of these meetings in a future issue, so that our members at large may be informed of the problems presented and their solutions. . . . At noon a "District Luncheon" was held at the Milwaukee Athletic Club, a beau-

tiful function with no speeches, enjoyed by some 200 or more members. . . . At 2 P.M. a "Special Session" consisting of papers and practical demonstrations in the form of three "skits" given by the Dayton, Ohio; Indiana State, and San Francisco District Associations, held the attention of all present. A resumé of these will be published later.

Wednesday, July 19th, Second Meeting of the House of Delegates called at 9:30 A.M., with nominations and elections of officers, trustees and members of standing committees, and regular order of business as indicated. At this meeting Dr. Roy Y. Shaw of Atlanta was elected an Honorary Member, and "Uncle Charlie," as he is called by the members, is now a member of the A.D.A.A., and we are honored in having such a fine member of the dental profession on our roster. . . . At noon, Hotel Schroeder, the A.D.A. held their "Dental Health Education Luncheon," and a great number of the members attended. . . . In the evening at 6:30 the informal reception preceded the Annual Banquet held in the Venetian Room of the Hotel Astor. This "Crystal Banquet" was a beautiful function long to be remembered by the 300 members and guests who attended. Crystal was the decorative theme, and the officers were gowned in white, as were all the past presidents and trustees. The favors, crystal program holders, were the gift of Dr. Nye W. Goodman, Honorary Member. There were no set speeches, but a very enjoyable program of diversified talent, including our own Abbie Pryor, was much enjoyed. Dr. Shaw was surprised by the announcement of his having been elected an Honorary Member, amid loud applause; the various trophies were presented to the winners by Juliette A. Southard, Founder, as follows:—First Silver Cup for "Increase in Membership," to the Kansas City D.H.&A. Assn., 91%; Second Silver Cup to the Miami Dist. D.N. Assn., 84%; Honorable Mention, Iowa State D.A. Assn., 64%; Minnesota D.H.&A. Assn., 44%. . . . The "Convention Attendance Trophy" went to the Los Angeles D.A. Assn., with 5 members in attendance, and honorable mention to Alameda Co. D.A. Assn., and San Francisco Dist. D.A. Assn., with 3 members each at convention, and San Diego Co. D.A. Assn., with 2 members attending. . . . The "Outside Subscriptions" Journal Trophy went to the Indiana State D.A. Assn. . . . The "Co-operation Trophy" First Cup, was given to the Massachusetts D.A. Assn., and the Second Cup went to the N. J. State D.A. Assn., with Honorable Mention Blue Ribbon to the San Francisco Dist. D.A. Assn. . . . The "Loyalty Trophy" was presented to Miss Nellie Ripple of Canton, Ohio, for a continuous service of 30 years, 7 months, and 10 days in the office of Dr. F. M. Lose. A list of "runners-up" will appear in a future issue. . . . The Aloise B. Clement Trophy for "Achievement" was presented to Marie Sillay Shaw, President. . . . The President's personal gift to the Trustee with the largest increase of membership in her district, was captured by Mildred Stevenson, 7th District, with a gain of 50% over last year. Honorable Mention was made of Nelle Mitchell, 8th Dist., with 43%, and Lena Devron, 4th Dist., with 29%. . . . Clara Phillips, 3rd Vice-President, in an impressive dedication ceremony, presented the past presidents with an engraved certificate of service, and a "Past President's Pin, set with a diamond and properly engraved, to wit:—Juliette A. Southard, Founder and President, 1925-30; Ruth F. Rogers, 1931-34; Helen H. Fitting, 1935; Louise Dismukes, 1936; Mabel A. Lyon, 1937-38. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne," brought to a close this memorable celebration of the Crystal Anniversary Banquet of the A.D.A.A., and much praise was given Lucile Black, Chairman, the guiding spirit of this occasion, and the members of her committee.

Telegrams were received from the following members and friends:—Dr. Donald M. Gallie, Chicago; Dr. Oather Kelly, St. Louis; Dr. W. O. Hulick, Cincinnati; Dr. A. H. Kendall, Miami; Dr. Anna L. Hehn, Marquette Univ., Milwaukee; Louise

Dismukes, Birmingham; Clara Bair, Columbus; Sarah H. Gallien, E. Orange, N. J.; Mabel Burr, Spring Lake, N. J.; Ann Ford, Providence, R. I.; Dorothy Aupied, Mary Lowry, Elizabeth Mays, Lucile Reed, Clara Taylor and Ola Lundy, Memphis, Tenn.; Mr. J. Jelenko, Jr., New York; Grace Renshaw, Cincinnati; Alabama D.A. Assn.; San Francisco Dist. D.A. Assn.; San Diego Co. D.A. Assn.; New Orleans D.A. Assn.; N. J. State D.A. Assn.; D.A. Study Club, 2nd Dist., N. Y.; D.A. Assn., N. Y. State; Cincinnati D.A. Assn.; Lehigh Valley D.A. Assn., Pa.; Tennessee State D.A. Assn.; Memphis D.A. Assn.; Richmond D.A. Assn., Va., and a number of others.

Thursday, July 20th, opened with a "Clinicians' Breakfast" at 8 A.M. attended by the officers and trustees, and presided over by Doris Harvey, Chairman of Clinics and Exhibit. Two sight-seeing trips had been arranged for the morning for the entertainment of such members as cared to take them. At 2 P.M. at the Auditorium with the A.D.A. clinics, the clinics were presented as listed in the official program, to wit:—"Handy Hints for the Handy Assistant," by Alabama D.A. Assn.; "Collections," by Alameda Co. D.A. Assn.; "Mounting of X-Rays" also by Alameda County; "A Centrifugal Method for Making Stone Dies, etc." by Los Angeles D.A. Assn., and "Office Efficiency," "Care of Instruments and Needles," and "Care of Contra Angle and Straight Handpieces" by the San Francisco D.A. Assn.; "Education of Mother and Child" by the San Joaquin Dist. D.A. Assn.; "Laboratory Technic for Successful Inlays" by D. of C. D.A. Assn.; "Proper Care of Unit and Handpieces" by Miami Dist. D.N. Assn.; "Making Plastic Impression at Minimum Cost" by Georgia State D.A. Assn.; "Collection Routine in the Dental Office" by Chicago D.A. Assn.; "Timely Tips," by Indiana State Assn. of D.A.; "What Assistance Can You Offer Your Dentist in the Laboratory?" and "Inlay Investing Technic," by Iowa State D.A. Assn.; "System of Keeping Dental Charts," "Accounting in the Dental Office," "Sterilization," by Mass. D.A. Assn.; "Short Cuts and Ideas," by Detroit D.A. Assn.; "Your Ideas and Mine by Minnesota D.H.&A. Assn.; "Colloidal Impression Material," by St. Louis D.A. Assn.; "The Junior Patient in Dental Practice," and "Your Progress at a Glance," by Nebraska D.A. Assn.; "Baked Porcelain Tips in Bridgework," by No. Dakota D.A. Assn.; "Removal of Stains and Care of Instruments," by Cincinnati D.A. Assn.; "Illustrating Better Dentistry," and "Chair Assistance" by Cleveland D.A. Assn.; "Pouring Inlay Models by Indirect Method," by Columbus D.A. Assn.; "Dental Assistant in the Laboratory," by Dayton D.A. Assn.; "Entertainment of Juvenile Patient," by Toledo D.A. Soc.; "Care of Handpiece and Contra Angle," by Phila. Assn. of D.N.; "Telephone Personality," by Pittsburgh D.A. Assn.; "Did You Know?" and "Practical Applications for the D.A. in the Operating Room" by Tennessee D.A. Assn.; "Conversation Causalities," by Salt Lake City D.A. Soc.; "Dental Economics," and "Helpful Hints and Childrens' Corner," by Wisconsin State D.A. Assn.

Friday, July 21st, Third Meeting of the House of Delegates, advanced to 8:30 A.M., with all unfinished business cared for, the election of a number of Independent members, also several new associations (see Gen. Secty's Corner), and presentation of trophies for winning clinics and posters as follows:—First Clinic Trophy, San Joaquin D.A. Assn. (Calif.); Second Clinic Trophy, Cleveland D.A. Assn.; First Honorable Mention Blue Ribbon, Los Angeles D.A. Assn.; Second Honorable Mention Blue Ribbon, Dayton D.A. Assn.—Poster Trophy, awarded to the Southern Wisconsin D.A. Assn., Honorable Mention Blue Ribbon, Dayton D.A. Assn., and Louisville D.A. Assn.—Certificates were given to all the societies and individuals who had won the trophies at the 1938 meeting, for a permanent recording of their achievement. The Candle Light Installation of Officers was conducted by Mabel A. Lyon,

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From left to right—Seated: Mildred Stevenson, 7th Dist.; Helene F. Meyers, Treas.; Juliette A. Southard, Founder; Marie Sillay Shaw, President; Ethel Whitenon, 1st Vice-Pres.; Lucile S. Hodge, Gen. Secty.; Mabel A. Lyon, Past-Pres.; (Standing) Verena Strassberg, 6th Dist. and Conv. Chm.; Dorothy Lickiss, 9th Dist.; Helen H. Fitting, Bus. Mgr. Journal; Mary M. Connolly, 10th Dist.; Lena Devron, 4th Dist.; Gladys Pinson, 5th Dist.; Robina McMundo, 2nd Dist.; Lucile Black, Banquet Chm.; Margaret W. Hummer, 3rd Dist.; Beulah J. Nowell, 1st Dist.; Clara B. Phillips, 3rd Vice-Pres. (Absent Nelle Mitchell, 8th Dist.; Airna Chamberlin, 2nd Vice-Pres.)

A FINE ALLOY

By C. VIRGINIA SCHENCK, Miami, Fla.

Given Before A.D.A.A., Milwaukee, Wisc., July 18th, 1939

Speech is silver; silence is golden; a fine alloy to use in the practice of living. Your personality and background are mirrored in your speech. Those who are fortunate enough to possess a cultured background, may lean upon it heavily for help in personality and speech. However, background can be acquired, as it is personal cultivation. There are several ways that background may be secured; first, through the experiences of life; second, through formal education; third, by self-education; and fourth, through association. The first way, through experience, is a lengthy and very arduous one. Only the very strong achieve success. The second, that of formal education, is denied many people through the lack of financial opportunity. The third, that of self instruction, is readily available through the literature of the ages, the press, the motion picture, and the radio. The fourth, that of association or environment, is the path used by everyone, either consciously or subconsciously. Our own individual tastes can be improved through our associations as indicated by Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler when he states, "We find our standards in our associations. If we seek contact with what is best in letters, in art, in conduct, we insensibly become familiar with what is best, and what is base and ugly!"

In the normal activities of our daily life, such as conversations, letter writing, committee and organization work, the channels through which our personality reaches the outside world are evident at every turn. Our speech is another channel through which we project our personality. First, learn to use your voice with skill. In the speaking voice, deep, even breathing and slow, even exhalation give a full mellow tone. A lovely voice with smooth tones contributes greatly to any woman's charm, and, if what she has to say is expressed in thoughtful phrasing, she possesses one of the greatest assets of personal allure. Cup your hands behind your

ears and talk to yourself. By doing so, you may discover that your voice tones are too harsh or too weak. Vocal lessons will work wonders with your voice, but if this cannot be arranged, there are a vast number of books on the speaking voice easily available through our libraries. In conversation, it is essential that we learn the art of relaxation. For with this, comes assurance. We must also have a sense of timing, an instinctive gauge of people's interest. Turn yourself into a constructive, not a destructive force when conversing. Narration in itself is much more interesting, as a rule, than fact. Never stop a brilliant flow of wit with a correction. For example, never remind the narrator that the described event took place on Monday instead of Saturday, and that it happened to Mr. Black instead of Mr. White. Command attention; do not demand it, in conversation. Be constantly aware of and sympathetic to your listener's state of mind. We all know the talkative person who prattles on and on in the face of the fact that the listener's attention may be distracted with the problem of catching a train or some other necessity of importance.

Do not boast about your possessions. If reference must be made to your good fortune, do so in such a manner that your friends will share it. Do not let yourself feel superior. Anyone who tries to impress others with his knowledge, is never popular. Remember that each individual has at least one absorbing interest. If you are well versed in your own interest, the interest of others will be attracted. If you are sincere and at the same time enthusiastic, you will be charming. If you are charming, you are magnetic, and magnetism attracts; but when called upon to speak, know your subject thoroughly. No one is ever uncertain in speaking of that which he knows.

Conversation is an informal interchange of thought; a play of words. Consequent-

ly, do not make of yourself a human victrola record. Study the use of words and their effect upon people. There can be beauty in speech. Words of praise and sincerity mean so much to all of us; they please; they attract; and they are so easily spoken. It is claimed that patience is a virtue. Silence is surely of equal importance. Learn to be a good listener. It has been said that a good conversationalist is one who gives his rapt attention to the other person, who, in turn, is so flattered by this attention that he finds his listener an interesting person.

If you cannot be brilliant and beautiful, you can be pleasant and interesting. If you are interested in other people, you forget yourself. If you forget yourself, you are not awkward and self-conscious. Arrange for a mental grooming of your mind so that you attain a mental crispness, a freshness of thought. Discard your shabby and cluttered thoughts, and in their

place, take on serence and gracious ones. Take stock of yourself, your personality, and your speech. Analyze yourself and discover wherein your faults lie. Open your mind to outside impressions. Be yourself; but first, make yourself what you want to be. You, alone, have this power. If you have learned the wisdom of silence, the beauty of speech; if you have sympathy and understanding for others; if you have self-respect and an enlightened self-interest, you have mastered the art of pleasant living.

I am indebted to Dr. Louis R. Hill, of Cleveland, Ohio, and to the following publications for some of the ideas which I have incorporated in the above paper; "Give Yourself Background", by F. Fraser Bond, "Your Life As A Woman" by Margaret Devereux. I suggest that these would make excellent reading for our members.

C.V.S.

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GLEANINGS FROM 15th ANNIVERSARY MEETING

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Past-President in a very beautiful and impressive ceremony. Officers installed as follows:—Ethel Whitenton, President; Clara B. Phillips, 1st Vice-Pres.; Airna Chamberlin, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Nelle Mitchell, 3rd Vice-Pres.; Lucile S. Hodge, Gen. Secty.; Helene F. Meyers, Treas.; Trustees, 2nd Dist., Robina McMurdo; 5th Dist., Clara E. Smith; 8th Dist., Mae de Moss; 10th Dist., Mary Connolly. Helen H. Fitting was returned to the Board as the Journal Staff Member, and Marie S. Shaw automatically became a member of the Board as Immediate Past President. Standing Committee Chairmen were elected as follows:—"Clinics and Exhibits," Margaret C. Sharp; "Transportation," Jean Noone; "Legislation," Jean Hankey; "Education," Aileen Ferguson; "Judicial Council," Viavin Prose. A Past President's Pin and Certificate were presented to Marie Sillay Shaw retiring President, amid the loud applause of those assembled, she having become one of those thus honored, when her successor was installed. . . . At this session the resolution for the education of dental assistants by recognized dental schools and colleges, was reaffirmed, as was the resolution of non-approval by the A.D.A.A., of the training of dental assistants by commercial schools, or by individuals backed by commercial schools or business concerns. Two Associate members from Canada were elected at this meeting, Mrs. Ferna L. Cook, of Windsor, and Irene Checkley of Toronto. A number of meetings were held by the Bd. of Trustees during the meeting, and when all business had been cared for adjournment was called to meet at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1940, at the same time as the American Dental Assn.—PLAN NOW TO BE THERE.

Juliette A. Southard.

TALKING IT OVER

*This department is under the jurisdiction of EDNA M. JUSTICE
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"Where, Oh Where were the Dental Assistants?" As I sat in convention hall in Milwaukee during the Annual Meeting and looked over the members that were in attendance, I wondered why, with a membership of 3,000 there were not more who were interested in the advancement of their profession. 80% of the members attending this meeting I have seen at the last three conventions, which must prove that the teachings are most worthwhile or they would not be found each year gathering notes, attending clinics, and listening to lectures by the outstanding men in the dental profession. If 80% of our attendance is made up each year of the same members, certainly these meetings must be of inestimable value and if so, why is it that we lack a larger registration? Members,—those who have not attended our meetings,—why not start "now" to plan to be with us next year? I assure you that the time spent will be well rewarded and certainly your employer will feel that your interest in his office is worth more, if you show that you are willing to advance and to bring back to him the valuable information which you will receive.

Did you ever hear the saying "travel broadens"? This is very true and I have found that while attending these meetings I have broadened greatly. You meet, room, and socialize with girls from all parts of the country. You elbow with them, breakfast with them and lunch and dine. You chat with them evenings, and during the day. No one is unfriendly. Everyone is willing to give and to gain. You know how each section of our country lives, what the assistants in other parts of the United States are doing, what their social life consists of, what their sports are. In what way can we grow and expand more than by listening and learning? In order to have the members get better acquainted and to help each person with her individual problem, we have small meetings where members from the east meet with those of the west, or north, or south, and then in a general discussion we talk about what we do in our various parts of the country. In that way we learn how the other fellow lives, and after all isn't that what travel is for, "to see how the other fellow lives"?

Members!! Your membership in our Organization is of great value to us, without this we could not function, but we are anxious to show you what we are doing and how your money is spent to improve your chosen line of endeavor. Won't you help us by planning now to attend our next Annual Convention in Cleveland, September 1940? The larger the attendance the larger meeting, and I assure you that your committees are already at work planning for your advantage, a program that you can carry home with you and feel proud that you are an ACTIVE DENTAL ASSISTANT. PLAN NOW FOR CLEVELAND IN 1940.

BEULAH JANE NOWELL,
1st Dist. Trustee.

NOTICE

The Chicago Dental Society will hold its 1940 Midwinter Meeting February 12 to 15 inclusive, at the Stevens Hotel, according to an announcement by Dr. Harold W. Welch, President. Plans are already well under way to make this the finest in the long series of successful meetings sponsored by the Chicago Dental Society.

QUESTION BOX



By CLARA E. SMITH, 1101 Medical Arts Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.



*The Question Box will be grateful for questions or helpful suggestions.
For the next issue material should reach this office before October 8.*

1.

When separating fluid has been left off of the impression, and some of the impression plaster sticks to the stone model, it may be removed by dissolving it with X-Ray fixing solution, rather than scraping it off with a knife, and scarring the model. M.P.

2.

If an impression must be poured immediately, and you are out of separating fluid, soap will serve the purpose. M.P.

3.

Silver Nitrate stains may be removed from porcelain surfaces by the application of Iodine, followed by Aromatic Spirit of Ammonia. W.G.

4.

The end of a pen point makes a good matrix for taking an impression of a gingival cavity. F.A.D.

5.

Small doll dishes used instead of dappen dishes, when cleaning children's teeth, are highly amusing to the children and are quite efficient.

6.

Frequently when a mother goes to the dentist, she has no choice but to take along one or more small children. It will save time, everybody's nerves, and help to keep the office intact generally, if you keep on hand one or two substantial toys that the children can manipulate themselves; a music box, one or two puzzles that are not too difficult, a few magazines and books, although most children will keep quiet longer if kept busy with their hands. Balls or anything on wheels are disastrous. A fish bowl is a never ending source of entertainment, but should be either out of the children's reach or stationary.

7.

An office umbrella, that may be lent to a patient in an unexpected downpour, calls forth gratitude and usually the return of the umbrella. Most offices have at least one that has been left and not reclaimed.

8.

One office has a "lost drawer" where are kept the handkerchiefs, gloves, compacts, lipsticks, books, boy's caps and sweaters, etc. which are left there and an effort is made to acquaint every patient with this drawer and to make him feel welcome to have a look at any time to see if perchance some of his lost things may be there.

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EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

The following is taken from the "Handclasp" by our beloved friend and Honorary Member, Dr. Charles Nelson Johnson, who was called to his Eternal Rest, in July, 1938, and whose memory we revere. We will publish other of his writings in later issues, so that our members and readers may have them. (Editor)

MOTIVE

I can forgive a man almost anything if his motive is good. He may provoke me to desperation by his blunders, and make me almost despise him for his density, and yet I can forgive him if he means well. The designing man with a smug exterior but with a false heart is my especial detestation. Even the good he does carries with it an unsatisfactory savor. As I study the motives of men I am frequently reminded of that phrase in "Ecce Homo"—a book with a world of philosophy in it—"It is true that a good man does good deeds, but it is not necessarily true that he who does good deeds is a good man. Selfish prudence often dictates a virtuous course as unerringly as virtue itself."

And when I see a man do another a good turn with all the while a hidden depravity in his heart and with an ulterior motive behind it, I am nauseated to the depths of my being, and shaken throughout my entire moral fiber. I care not how polished or accomplished a man may be, if he is not honest I want none of him. And the incomprehensible thing to me about most men with bad motives is that they so frequently delude themselves with the belief that they are deceiving the world as to their honesty. I do not believe it was ever the case that a man lived long in a community in close association with his fellows without at least some of them understanding his motives. We hear occasionally a blare of trumpets over the fact that a certain man has deceived a whole community by leading a double life, posing at one time as a moral, religious man and at other times sinking to the depths of degradation, but the very excitement over such an occurrence proves the rarity of it. And it is safe to conclude that even with the most skillful tactician—with these men whom the world heralds as having successfully played a double role—it is always the case that some few in the community understood perfectly their motives and are not surprised when the exposure comes. It is assuredly true that with most men, motive is easily read, and sooner or later a man's motives form the basis of the estimate which the thinking people of the world place upon them.

J. A. S. BIRTHDAY TRIBUTE

Shortly after the next issue of our Journal is published, our Founder, Juliette A. Southard will pass another milestone. The love and esteem of every member of the A.D.A.A. is yours, Juliette, but no words of tongue or pen could say what we feel in our hearts of gratitude and thanks to the Giver of all Good Gifts, for your life of devotion and sacrifice to an ideal. We wish for you on September twenty-fifth, the happiest and best Birthday you have ever known, and may you

have many happy returns to gladden and bless your life, and ours.

We wish you gladness, Juliette,

In Oh, so many ways,

May joy be all about you,

And sunshine in your days.

God grant, that all the lovely things

You've done, your whole life through,

Come back in extra measure

On your Birthday, dear, to you.

J. A. S. Birthday Party Committee,

CLARA B. PHILLIPS, Chairman.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO ALL A.D.A.A. MEMBERS AND RECIPIENTS OF "THE DENTAL ASSISTANT"

Please change the Editor's address to:—Juliette A. Southard, 222 Sidonia Ave., Coral Gables, Fla., and send ALL communications to her there and NOT at 311 Huntington Bldg., Miami, Fla. THIS IS IMPORTANT. THANKS.

JULIETTE A. SOUTHARD, *Editor*.

"Every right you have can only spring from a duty fulfilled; there can be no rights without duties; there are no absolute rights; all rights are conditional."

—Mazzini

"He who feels his best does his best."

"Three ways to win—think, work, save."

"A nice clean sheet of paper,

A little printer's ink,

Some careful words

By careful men

Make many people think."

"Many wise men would like to know how the fool, soon parted from his money, gets it in the first place."

"THIS AND THAT"

By MARGARET C. SHARP, Peoples Trust Bldg., Jasonville, Ind.
(Please have your material reach me by Oct. 8th)

THE CHICAGO D.A.A. was well represented at Milwaukee with the following members attending: Katherine Hastings, Julia Murray, Helen Myers, Jane Alfeld, Betty Reid, Alice Petersen and Angie Ryan. The first four named are the officers for the coming year, and were right there getting first hand ideas and suggestions. Ethel Howard is recovering from a tonsillectomy. All members and friends wish her a speedy return to good health. . . . **MINNEAPOLIS SOCIETY D.H. & A.**'s held their September meeting in the form of a party honoring our Founder, Juliette A. Southard. A playlet entitled "Wisdom Teeth" was given by members of the Society and reports of the A.D.A.A. meeting were enjoyed. . . . **NORTHWESTERN DIST. D.A.A.** of Iowa will have election of officers at their annual District Meeting in September. A Big Picnic is being planned for an early date. Helen Kretschmer just returned from a three-week vacation to the west coast, enjoying the Fair while there. She promises to go East next year, at least as far as Cleveland. Bernice Glann, Louise Lynum, Billie Reeves, Harriett Streeter and Mary O'Donnell attended the Milwaukee meeting and will report same at an early meeting. A Breakfast and Shower honoring Phyllis Erickson, Vice-President, was given at South Ravine. Phyllis has become Mrs. Norman Lynum.

THE NORTH SHORE DIST. OF THE MASSACHUSETTS D.A.A. had P. P. Johnson, M.D., Chief of Staff of the Beverly Hospital as their guest at a recent meeting. Dr. Johnson showed colored motion pictures of his recent trip to the East Indies. One of the summer meetings was a "Weiner Roast Party" at Nahant, with twenty-six members and guests present. . . . **THE HUDSON COUNTY D.A.'s** of New Jersey enjoyed a Theatre Party in New York City, when they saw Bill Robinson in "The Hot Mikado". This society won the Silver Cup at the N. J. State Dental Meeting for the largest increase in membership. Plans are being made for the year's program which begins in October. . . . **THE PHILADELPHIA ASSOC. OF DENTAL NURSES** was represented at Milwaukee by their President, Miss Clotilde Quick, an ardent worker in this Association who is ever alert for new ideas for her society. . . . **THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA D.A.A.** called a special dinner meeting at the Lafayette Hotel to discuss more detailed plans for their Juliette A. Southard Birthday Party. The committee on Study Club Meetings also met and prepared a program for the coming year. Third District Trustee, Margaret Hummer, is fully recuperated from a heavy cold which she suffered following the close of the Milwaukee Meeting. Those attending the National Meeting were, Julia Schuett, President; Eva Carrico, Vice-President; Ellen Sweeney, Secretary; Katherine Reardon, Delegate, and Anne Howe, Clinician. Isn't that a fine showing from a wide-awake group!

THE CLEVELAND D.A.A. returned from the A.D.A.A. Convention with the 2nd best Clinic Trophy and the girls give the credit to Sally Allen. This group starts their Fall program in September with a meeting shared by the Medical Assistants. . . . **STARK COUNTY D.A.A.** of Canton, Ohio took a vacation during the month of July. The Alliance girls will be hostesses to the annual picnic to be held in the Boy Scout Cabin in Silver Park. Regular meetings will resume in September with a dinner meeting. . . . The Annual Picnic of the **CINCINNATI D.A.A.** was held at the White Villa Country Club, White Villa, Kentucky, where everyone had a delightful time in spite of the rain. Martha Cox and Lucia Menke represented this group at Milwaukee, Mary Connolly was reelected 10th District Trustee. The program committee is hard at work on the year's program, which is to be a complete and interesting one. . . . **JACKSONVILLE, FLA. D.A.A.** was represented at National Convention by

Marjorie Sallas, who also spent a few days vacationing in Chicago, while in the North. Miss Jean Richards spent her vacation in Miami and then went to Asheville North Carolina. Announcement of the engagement of Miss Elsie Nelson Matheson to Russell J. Muckle, of the Singapore Straits Settlement, has been made by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Erickson of Highland Park, Mich. Elsie will leave Florida in September to visit her friends and relatives in Michigan before leaving for Vancouver, B. C. where she will book passage on the Steamer, Empress of Canada, arriving in Singapore in November for the big event. Best Wishes, Elsie. . . . THE NEW ORLEANS, La. D.A.A. held a delightful "Founders Day" party, honoring our Mrs. Juliette A. Southard at the lovely suburban home of Mrs. Mae B. Couturie. The color scheme of Blue and Gold were carried out in floral decorations and refreshments. President, Gladys De Bellevue welcomed the members and guests. Isabella Sheridan, Chairman of the party, introduced the speakers of the evening. Dr. A. C. Broussard, Advisor and Honorary Member, spoke of the value of the organization, the wonderful personality of Mrs. Southard and the purpose of the Birthday Fund; Miss Charlotte Wagner read the Dental Assistant's Creed, as written by her, Gladys De Bellevue gave the Official Toast, and Mrs. Lena Devron Trustee, cut the Birthday Cake. Dr. Joseph M. Woodward awarded the prizes in the Quiz Contest with Gladys De Bellevue winning first place and Mrs. Claire Dolsen, second. The surprise feature of the evening was the presence of Madam Rena, Palmist, who gave character readings and advised the girls of their talents. . . . Mrs. Lena Devron, Trustee of the Fourth District, celebrated her twenty-fifth anniversary in the employ of Dr. Charles P. Kelleher on June 30th, 1939. Dr. and Mrs. Kelleher arranged a surprise party in her honor in the Conference Room of the American Bank Bldg. Mrs. Devron was the recipient of many beautiful flowers and gifts. . . .

THE KANSAS CITY D.A. & H. SOCIETY entertained with an Old Fashioned Picnic in August at Swope Park. The ST. JOSEPH D.A.'s joined the group and everyone enjoyed meeting old friends and new ones. Members who attended the A.D.A.A. Convention are singing praises of genial hospitality as extended by the Wisconsin Girls. . . . Ninth District Trustee, Dorothy Lickiss issued a copy of her new bulletin to members in her district shortly before Convention. Here are a few excerpts from the bulletin: "The Western Pacific is routing us on their brand new streamliner "The Exposition Flyer". From the southern part of California eight girls will come to San Francisco for a day at the Fair. They are to be entertained for breakfast by the S.F.D.A.'s Three members of the S.F. group will attend convention; six from Alameda County, and two from the San Joaquin Valley D.A.A. We are planning to pick up Salt Lake City delegates on our stopover there. The Seventh District Trustee, Mildred Stevenson, will board our train at 5 A.M. the morning we pass through Lincoln, Nebraska. She says she thinks it will be fun to wake us all up at that unholy hour. —After the convention a number of the girls are going on to the New York World's Fair. Among them are Jean Noone, Alice Eckert and Eulalia Beebee of S. F. "Beebee" and Jean are returning by boat from New York to Galveston, then home by the Southern Route. Alice will return through the Canadian Rockies. Lois Martin, Nita Pearce and Dot Lickiss are driving home in a brand new car, to be purchased by Lois' husband, and Doris Harvey will speed back by streamliner as soon as the convention adjourns. Gerry Eddington of San Diego will spend a few days with her family in Chicago prior to convention." . . . THE SAN FRANCISCO D.A.A. is working hard to make the dental assistant activities for the 1939 Dental Congress colossal. . . . THE SANTA BARBARA DIST. D.A.A. will have a vacation during July and August and are planning a barbecue for September. Dr. Lamb, a teacher of Psychology, spoke at their June meeting and they report that a get-together dinner held at Dr. Holland's

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SECRETARY'S CORNER

By LUCILLE S. HODGE, Gen. Sec'y, 401 Medical Arts Bldg., Knoxville, Tenn.

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SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION

The following societies are due Honorable Mention for their splendid cooperation during the past year:

Tennessee State Dental Assistants Association

Alabama Dental Assistants Association

Wisconsin State Dental Assistants Association

Indiana State Dental Assistants Association

Lehigh Valley Dental Assistants Association

Iowa State Dental Assistants Association

SECRETARIES: Look through your files and see if you have a copy of 'Permanent Instructions for Presidents and Secretaries'. If not, write this office and a copy will be sent to you by return mail. (May I have a moment of your time to thank you for your very wonderful cooperation with me last year, and with your continued help and cooperation we will make this another successful year for the American Dental Assistants Association.) I wish for you a successful year and if at any time this office can be of service to you do not hesitate to call on us.

We are happy at this time to announce the addition of four new societies and one new component society, as follows:

DENVER DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSN. (Colo.)

President, Marjorie Taylor, 1550 Lincoln St.; Vice-president, Juanita Fink;

Secretary, Joe Cramer, 966 Metropolitan Bldg.; Treasurer, Margaret Merritt.

OKLAHOMA STATE DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSN.:

President, Helen Tisdal, 216½ W. Commerce Ave., Oklahoma City; President Elect, Zama Blackburn; Secretary-Treasurer, Helen Hall, 205 Orr Bld., Cushing, Okla.

TEXAS D.A. ASSN.:

President, Evalon Smith, c/o Dr. V. R. Rogan, Baytown; Vice-president, Sue Laake; Secretary, Kate Brunson, 1514 Medical Arts Bldg., Dallas; Treasurer, Ruth Frost.

DALLAS D.A. ASSN. (Component of Texas):

President, Kate Brunson, 1514 Medical Arts Bldg.; Vice-president, Marge Hill; Secretary-Treasurer, Gertrude O'Bryan, 1310 Medical Arts Bldg.; Auditor, Ethel Ogle.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE D.A. ASSN.:

President, Jeanette Buckmaster, 501 Professional Bldg., Huntington; Vice-president, Mrs. Blair Notter; Secretary-Treasurer, Ruth Ferguson, Medical Arts Bldg., Charleston, W. Va.

It is also our pleasure to present to you the following new Independent and Associate members:

Independent Members: Virginia Fields, associated with Drs. Wm. J. Allen and L. F. Bates, Trust Company Bldg., Poplar Bluff, Mo.; Carrie Colbert, 604 City Hall Bldg., Rockford, Ill., associated with Dr. F. B. Edstrom; *Associate Members:* Mrs. Fern L. Cook associated with Dr. A. L. Cook, 137 Ouellette Ave., Windsor, Ont.; Irene Checkley associated with Dr. E. Smith Aitken, 371 Keele St., Toronto, Canada; Mary F. Hawks, 3005 N. Broadway, Wichita, Kansas, former Trustee of the Eighth District.

The following societies have held elections as follows:—

LONG BEACH D.A. ASSN. (Calif.):

President, Hilda Neill, 418 Professional Bldg.; Vice-president, Louise Hilbert; Secretary, Naomi White; Treasurer, Inez Veach; Corresponding Secretary, Leone Johnson, 803 F. & M. Bldg.; Directors, Alva Sears and Leonna Marks.

SAN JOAQUIN DISTRICT D.A. ASSN. (Calif.):

President, Dorothy Blair, Masonic Bldg., Lodi; Vice-president, Mary Goldsworthy; Secretary, Meriam Medlin, 423 Parker Ave., Tracy; Treasurer, Marie Guiliani; Board of Directors, Henrietta Turner, Ellen Davis, and Dorothy Blair.

KANSAS CITY D.A. & H. ASSN. (Mo.):

President, Mae De Moss, 258 Plaza Bank Bldg.; Secretary, Mary McPheeters, 729 Shukert Bldg.; Vice-president, Marie Herzig; Corresponding Secretary, Frances Strader; Treasurer, Carol Woodcock.

ESSEX COUNTY D.A. ASSN. (New Jersey):

President, Catherine Grimm, 9 Hill St., Newark; Vice-president, Nettie Quodamine; Recording Secretary, Virginia Elliott; Corresponding Secretary; Isabelle Egan, 130 Market St., Newark; Treasurer, Irma Adams.

LANE COUNTY D.A. SOCIETY (Oregon)

President, Louise Connell, 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Springfield; Vice-president, June Gamble; Secretary-Treasurer, Gertrude Mourer, Tiffany Bldg., Eugene; Editor, Elma McBee.

SPARTANBURG D.A. SOCIETY (S. Carolina)

President, Lucile Neal, 701 Andrews Bldg.; Vice-president, Annie Carroll; Secretary-Treasurer, Evelyn Robinson, 809 Andrews Bldg.

OGDEN D.A. ASSN. (Utah)

Change of Address: Alice Woolley, 815 Eccles Bldg., Ogden, Utah.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY D.A. ASSN. (Wisc.)

Change of Address: President, Loraine Haenni, 611 Caswell Bldg., Milwaukee, Wis.

"THIS AND THAT"

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home last month was lots of fun. . . . TRI COUNTY D.A.'s entertained their mothers at one meeting. They also gave a skit, and enjoyed a film "Main Street." It was a lesson on the psychology of salesmanship and was applicable to anyone dealing with the public. . . . FROM LANE COUNTY comes the news that they enjoyed a practical clinic by one of the doctors of all steps in preparing and inserting a synthetic porcelain filling. Another clinic was given at a previous meeting on Inlay Technique. Gertrude Mourer says that if interest continues, there will be a good little society in Lane County next fall. . . . THE LOS ANGELES D.A.A. has taken in 76 new members since the beginning of the year. . . . The Miami Dist. D. N. Assn., were thrilled to win the 2nd, Silver Cup at Milwaukee, for "Increase in Membership" with 84% increase.—Virginia Schenck spent a vacation in the N. Carolina mountains following the A.D.A.A. meeting where she gave a paper. Grace Robinson gave a splendid clinic at the same meeting and represented the Miami Association as Delegate, Virginia being Alternate. Juliette A. Southard, spent a part of her vacation following the Milwaukee Meeting, visiting the Fair in New York, also spending some time in Philadelphia.

A dramatic story can be told in a very few words.

A small boy returned home one evening,

and when his mother asked why his hand was bleeding he said, "Those were awful sharp teeth Billy Wright used to have."

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

By ELEANOR I. MARCOU, 2941 West Six Mile Road, Detroit, Mich.
(All items for the November-December issue, must reach me by October 8th.

NO LATER. Thanks)

CALIFORNIA

Sacramento D.A.A.

Meeting, Sept. Party, at Home of Elsie Fryer. Date and Time, to be announced later. Dorothy Smart, Publ. Chm., Box 70, Roseville.

FLORIDA

Jacksonville D.A.A.

Meeting, First Wednesday in September, at 6:00 P.M. — Elsie Nelson, Vice Pres., 333 St. James Bldg.

Miami Dist. D.N. Assn.

Meeting, October 2nd, 1939, 8 P.M. Place, L. M. Anderson Co. Rooms, 12th Floor, Huntington Bldg., Program, Reports of Delegate and Alternate to A.D.A.A. Meeting at Milwaukee, and Round Table Discussion on "Helpful Hints". — Louise Dyerle, Program Chm., 902 Congress Bldg.

MASSACHUSETTS

North Shore Dist. D.A.A.

Meeting, October 9, 1939, Place, The Roseway, 16 Summer St. Salem, at 6:45 P.M. Speaker, Catherine F. Ronan, D.M.D. of the Mass. Dept. of Health—Harriet Ericson, Publ. Chm., 74 Lothrop St., Beverly.

Worcester Dist. D.A.A.

Meeting, Monday, September 18, 1939, 7:30 P.M. Business Meeting, Chamber of Commerce, 8:00 P.M. Speaker, Mr. H. R. Randall, Subject, "Care and Arrangement of Flowers."

Meeting, Monday, October 16, 1939, 7:30 P.M. Business Meeting, Chamber of Commerce Bldg. 8:00 P.M. Speaker, Member of Police Dept., Subject, "Crime and Fingerprinting." Lois Lehman, Sec'y. Worcester, Mass.

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis Dist. D.H. and A.A.

Meeting, September 5, 1939, 7:30 P.M.

Medical Arts Study Room. Honoring Birthday of Juliette Southard, Program, Play entitled "Wisdom Teeth." News of National Convention. Meeting, October 3, 1939, 7:30 P.M. Medical Arts Study Room. Program, to be announced. Helen Gunderson, Publ. Chm., 2854 Johnson St., N.E.

MISSOURI

Kansas City D.A. and H.A.

Meeting, September 26, 1939. Place, Pickwick Hotel. Dinner, 6:30 P.M. Program. Report of the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the A.D.A.A., by Delegate, Mrs. Marie Herzig.—Julia R. Hodge, Publ. Chm.

NEBRASKA

Omaha D.A.A.

Meeting, September 12, 1939, 7:30 P.M. Paxton Hotel. Business Meeting, Clinicians Report of Milwaukee Meeting, by Velma Perry. Delegate's Report of Meeting, by Ruth York and Mary Haney.

Meeting, September 26, 1939, 7:30 P.M., Paxton Hotel. Speaker, Mr. Joe Ihm, Head of Science Dept. of Benson High School.

Party, September 24, 1939, Juliette A. Southard's Birthday Party, Dutch Treat and Bingo Game.

Meeting, October 10, 1939, 7:30 P.M., Paxton Hotel. Business Meeting and Speaker, Ruth York. Subject, "Loyalty of the Assistant to her Employer and the Dental Assistant Association."

Meeting, October 24, 1939, 7:30 P.M., Paxton Hotel. Speaker, Dr. Frank Viner, Dean of Creighton Dental College.—Billie Donn, Publ. Chm., Medical Arts Bldg.

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CRYSTALS OF HISTORY — A.D.A.A.

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the local and state dental assistants societies that comprise its constituent membership, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**: That the A.D.A.A. in convention assembled at Detroit, October 26th, 1927, go on record as to the following:—**FIRST**, that there is not a word of truth in the foregoing accusation. **SECOND**, that the A.D.A.A. is a professional organization of women employed in a particular field of human service, the practice of dentistry. **THIRD**, that the Association is endeavoring to carry on educational work among its members, for the purpose of aiding its members to render better service to the dental profession. **FOURTH**, that it is trying to provide training for its members that will prepare them for any emergency arising in this service. **FIFTH**, that its sole object is to aid its members in every way possible, to assist the dentist in rendering the highest possible service to humanity. Be it further **RESOLVED**, that the foregoing be made not only a part of the records of this meeting, and of the A.D.A.A., but that a copy be sent to each dental magazine for publication, and to any other person or persons, as may be deemed advisable."

Each year, we see our President submitting a report of our activities and development to the Board of Trustees of the A.D.A.—At Denver, Colo., in 1930, our Scholarship Fund was established with the nucleus of a gift of \$100.00 from Mr. M. B. Massol, which he had pledged at the 1929 meeting. Through the efforts of various friends and other sources this had grown in 1938, to \$813.80. . . . At the 1930 Denver Meeting, the Board of Trustees recommended to the House of Delegates that the President appoint a Curricula Committee to draft courses of training that might be used by the dental colleges, and for the societies as a guide for their educational programs. . . . Down through the years, various trophies have been presented to the A.D.A.A. and awarded to the membership for various achievements. The first one to be received

was presented at the 1929 Meeting at Washington, D. C., by the Chicago D.A.A., in honor of the Founder, Juliette A. Southard, to be given the society who in the estimate of the judges, had presented the best clinic. This went to the Chicago D.A.A. A trophy given in honor of Dr. Henry Fowler, Honorary Member, also presented at this meeting by a friend who wished to remain anonymous, was to be awarded to the society having been adjudged as presenting the best poster. It was won by the Kansas City D.A.A., Mo. At this 1929 meeting, Dr. Angelo Chiavaro of Italy was our guest, and was so impressed with the work done, he gave the A.D.A.A. a silver cup in honor of his assistant Erminia Rampichini, who had been associated with him a number of years. This is known as the "Loyalty Trophy" and is presented each year to the member who has been employed the greatest number of years consecutively, in one office. Another trophy of which we are proud, is the one given the A.D.A.A. in 1936, by Mr. Joe E. Ratner, in memory of our past Treasurer, Aloise B. Clement of Omaha, Nebraska, known as the "Achievement Trophy," and presented to the member having given outstanding service to the Association and all dental assistants, over a period of time. There are a number of other trophies, but lack of time prevents their enumeration. You will find their description, etc. in the pages of our Journal, beginning with the Nov., Dec., 1937 issue, through to July-Aug., 1938.

We have seen in our crystal that the development of the A.D.A.A. has not been accomplished without a great deal of planning and work. Many problems had to be solved, many disappointments had to be met; but shoulder to shoulder, always following their motto, *Education, Efficiency, Loyalty, Service*, the members have achieved 15 years of splendid record. Down the years of the future, we must never forget those who have so generously given of their time, energy and finance,

that the A.D.A.A. might be established on a firm foundation. To each of these members, and friends, we owe a debt of gratitude, for without them and their loyalty, encouragement and service, we would not have our present Association. I feel certain that all of our members, past and present, who have had a part in our development, through their membership in the state and local affiliated groups, are proud that they have been privileged to lend their support towards the achievement of this DAY, our FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY. We see a slight blur in our crystal; it is the shadow of a regret that, of the approximate 200 members who enrolled as members of our Four Charter Societies 15 years ago, very few remain with us today. We could trace none in Alabama. . . . In Indiana we find Ethel Deisch of Peru, Marion Gruelle of Indianapolis, Luella Mariotte of Fort Wayne, and Ethel Mack of Elwood. . . . In Chicago, Ruth Carr is the only one now on our roster. . . . In New York we have Martha Keit, Madeline Moehler Hesemann and Juliette A. Southard, Life Member.

To look ahead 15 years seems a very long time, but looking back on all that has been accomplished, it only seems a very brief span of time since that day in

August 1923, in far off Maine, when our dental assistant visualized a "dream" while reading of an approaching meeting of the A.D.A. in Cleveland, Ohio, early in September, and the culmination of her "dream" at Dallas, Texas, November 13th, 1924. To write a complete history of the A.D.A.A. and its many developments, would have taken much more space and time than we have at our disposal; but we have herewith appended an addenda, which gives some of the important details of our progress, and this will be filed with the copy of this paper for future reference. We also hope to publish all this in full in our Journal, so that those of our members who could not attend this meeting, will be able to read it and preserve it for future reference. The crystal ball we have used in which to gaze back down the years, is the one used by Dr. C. Edmund Kells, of New Orleans, who was a speaker at our Annual Luncheon in 1926 when he foretold the usefulness of our Association, and its future success. This was presented to the President, Juliette A. Southard, by Dr. Kells at the close of the Luncheon.

311 Huntington Bldg.

The Addenda will be published in the Nov.-Dec. issue.
The Editor.

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NEW JERSEY

Hudson County D.A.A.

Meeting, Friday, October 13, 1939, 8:30 P.M. Place and Program to be announced later. — Grace E. Bruno, Publ. Chm., 35 Carlton Ave., Jersey City.

OHIO

Canton D.A.A.

Meeting, September. Time and Place, to be announced. Speaker, Dr. Emerson Gillespie, Skin Specialist.

Meeting, October. Time and Place to be announced. Speaker, Dr. Arthur A. Green, D.D.S. Subject, "Office Efficiency."—Vivian Mills, 105 Wertz Ave., N.W.

Cincinnati D.A.A.

Meeting, September 22, 1939, 7:15 P.M. Place, Hotel Gibson. Dinner, 5:45 P.M., Hotel Gibson Rathskeller. Program, 8:00 P.M. Report of Delegates to Fifteenth Annual Meeting A.D.A.A.

Meeting, October 27, 1939, 7:15 P.M. Place, Hotel Gibson. Dinner, Hotel Gibson Rathskeller at 5:45 P.M. Program, at 8:00 P.M. Speakers, Dr. R. A. Caskey. Subject, "Diet in Relation to a Healthy Mouth," and Henrietta Buck, Subject, "Laboratory Assistance." Mary Romer, Publ. Com. Member, 1021 Union Central Bldg.

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PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia Ass. of Dental Nurses

Philadelphia Ass. of Dental Nurses announces change of its meeting headquarters from 1104 Widener Bldg. to the New Century Club, 124 South 12th St.—Mary P. Lavery, 1214 W. Erie Ave.

Lehigh Valley D.A.A.

Meeting, September 25, 1939, 6:30 P.M. Place, Sun Inne, Bethlehem. Program, Convention Report by Delegate, Florence Siefert.

Meeting, October 30, 1939, 6:30 P.M. Place, Easton, Pa. Program, to be announced.—Evelyn M. Bailey, 30 N. Eighth St., Allentown.

Pittsburgh D.A.A.

Meeting, September 12, 1939, Regular Dinner Meeting. Place, to be announced. Speaker, to be announced.

Meeting, October 10, 1939, at Fort Pitt Hotel Dutch Room. Speaker, Dr. S. Glenn Major. Subject, "Oral Surgery." This is also "BOSSES NIGHT." Bring your Doctor.—Katherine B. Lyons, 1115 Highland Bldg.

WEST VIRGINIA

Kanawha Valley D.A.A.

Meeting, September 11, 1939. Annual Banquet and Installation of Officers.

Meeting, September 25, 1939. Bingo Party, celebrating Juliette Southard's Birthday.

Meeting, Monday, October 2, 1939, at 7:00 P.M. Program, at 8:00 P.M. Essayist: Dr. Chas. R. Singleton. Subject, "Assisting at the Chair." Meetings held at Daniel Boone Hotel. Halloween Party or Dance, to be announced later.—Ruth Dilworth, 226 Prof Bldg., Charleston.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL SOCIETIES

All Publicity Chairmen and Reporters, PLEASE NOTE that the "Calendar of Meetings" in charge of Elizabeth H. Fleischer formerly, IS NOW in charge of Eleanor I. Marcou, 2941 West Six Mile Road, Detroit, Mich., and send data about the meetings of your society to her at the date specified. PLEASE OBLIGE AS REQUESTED. THANKS.

We are very grateful to Elizabeth for her fine service over a long period of time, and we welcome Eleanor on the Journal Staff, with appreciation for the work she will do for us all.

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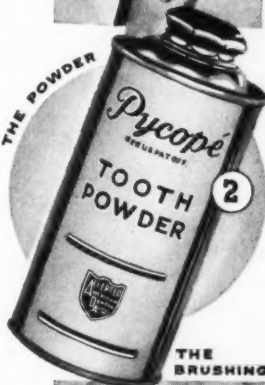
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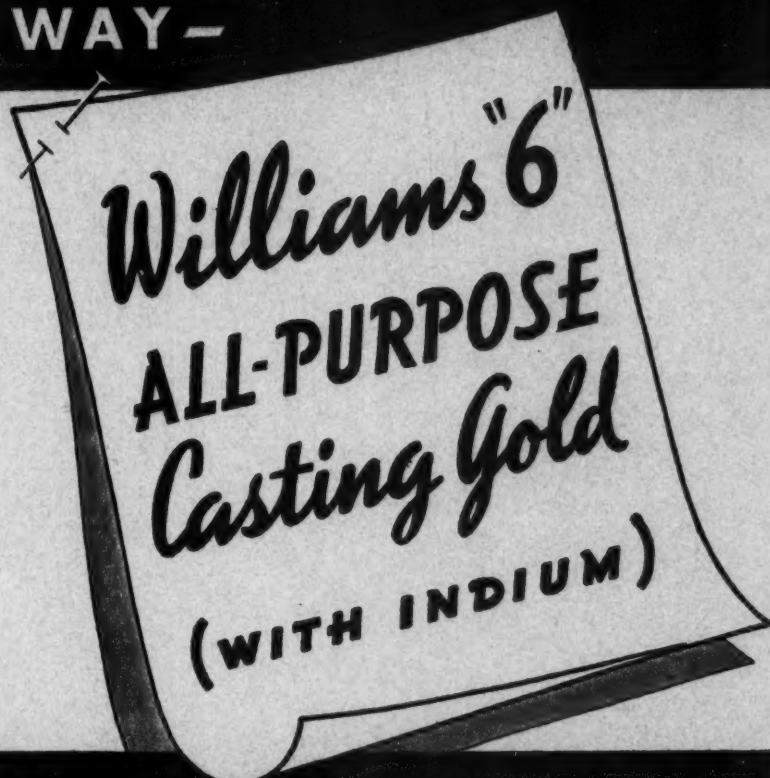
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